

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. A card connector comprising:
a connector housing having a lower housing and a
5 metal upper housing;
contact terminals arranged to engage with contact
pads of an inserted card; and
one or more switches each operated by engagement
and disengagement of a pair of metal pieces;
10 wherein one of the each pair of metal pieces
making up each of said switches is formed in said
metal upper housing.
2. A card connector according to claim 1, wherein
15 said one of each pair of metal pieces is a contact
leaf spring extending from an end portion of said
upper housing like a cantilevered beam.
3. A card connector according to claim 1, wherein
20 said switch is a card recognition switch to detect the
presence or absence of the inserted card.
4. A card connector according to claim 1, wherein
said card has a slidable write protect button at its
25 side surface and said switch detects a slide position
of the write protect button.

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